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SECSTATE FOR INL/C/CJ AND EAP/RSP  
BANGKOK FOR ILEA

E.O. 12958: N/A

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SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS VETTING FOR CAMBODIAN NOMINEES FOR ILEA "ARSON  
INVESTIGATION" COURSE IN BANGKOK

REF: STATE 82992

11. This is an EAP action cable. See Paragraph Six.

12. Reftel is guidance for screening nominees for U.S.-sponsored  
training programs.

13. To comply with the Leahy amendment relative to U.S.- sponsored  
security assistance training, the U.S. Embassy Phnom Penh has  
conducted local human rights vetting for the following individuals  
selected for the "Arson  
Investigation" Course, November 2-13, 2009 in Bangkok, Thailand.

NOMINEES:

NAME: NOU, Sovannarith (Male)  
DPOB: April 11, 1959; Phnom Penh  
RANK/POSITION: Lt. Colonel, Office Chief  
DEPT/UNIT: Ministry of Interior, Department of Weapons,  
Administration, and Fire

NAME: SOEUR, Rithy (Male)  
DPOB: February 13, 1965; Kampong Chhnang  
RANK/POSITION: Lt. Colonel, Office Chief  
DEPT/UNIT: Ministry of Interior, Department of Weapons,  
Administration, and Fire

ALTERNATE:

NAME: NGET, Hoeun (Male)  
DPOB: April 12, 1966; Takeo  
RANK/POSITION: Lt. Colonel, Deputy Office Chief  
DEPT/UNIT: Ministry of Interior, Department of Weapons,  
Administration, and Fire

14. U.S. Embassy Phnom Penh has reviewed its files and finds that,  
as of this date, it possesses no credible information of gross  
violations of human rights by the above-mentioned individuals.

15. The individuals will attend the "Arson Investigation" Course,  
November 2-13, 2009 in Bangkok, Thailand. The course is sponsored  
by the United States Department of State and will be presented by  
experts from the United States Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and  
Firearms and Explosives.

16. Action request: Please verify whether the Department possesses  
any credible information that the individuals named above have been  
implicated in gross violations of human rights. Post requests a  
Leahy vetting response from the Department by September 30, 2009.

17. Point of contact for Amembassy Phnom Penh is Jenae  
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